

DESIGN STATEMENT

FOR ALTERATIONS TO THE FRONT GARDEN AT

42 ARKWRIGHT ROAD, LONDON NW3

The property is situated within a designated conservation area and as such the principle of the design is to try and enhance the area generally and specifically the premises itself.

The proposal is for a partial reduction in level of the raised front garden area, together with forming recessed spaces each side of the existing staircase fronting onto the public footpath. A raised brick planter is to be built adjacent to the boundary with no. 44 Arkwright Road to retain the existing hedge.

The rear retaining wall facing onto the front elevation of the property is under stress from the raised garden area and is failing in structural terms, and therefore needs to be rebuilt.

As the front garden level is to be reduced, railings have been introduced to the foot path leading to the front entrance of the house. The existing finishes to the stairs and foot path are to be replaced with materials as indicated on the drawings.

Sections of the brick front garden retaining wall have already been demolished, these sections are subject to an Enforcement Notice issued by the London Borough of Camden. The walls are to be rebuilt with bricks and detailing to match the adjacent properties by May 2012.

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